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UPDATED ADVICE FOR COMMUNITY SPORT IN NSW

The NSW Chief Health Officer, Dr Kerry Chant, has today announced the release of updated advice for the sector relating to spectator attendance at community sport, as well as school sport and outdoor education activities. To read the full release, please [click here](#).

From **Saturday 26 September**, interregional community sporting competitions can recommence without restricting these activities to regions or zones, where there is a COVID-19 Safety Plan for the community sporting activity in place.

The advice provided in August regarding limiting spectators to one parent per child, and inter-region sport and recreation activities has been removed, **however organisations must still ensure their activity is delivered in compliance with the Public Health Order and the COVID-19 Safety Plan requirements.**

This includes the requirement to adhere to the 500-person limit for community sport activities (including participants, officials and spectators) and adhering to the one person per four square metre rule. Organisations and spectators must also ensure that physical distancing of at least 1.5 metres is maintained between people that do not come from the same household.

Community sports organisations and participants should continue to avoid shared travel arrangements such as car-pooling, along with minimising social gatherings before and after the event.

State Sporting Organisations, State Sporting Organisations for People with Disability and other sector organisations need to read the information and determine how the recommendations and advice impact on their activities.

Some community sport organisations may choose to still limit spectator numbers at matches, subject to the protocols within their COVID-19 Safety Plans and based on factors such as the size of their venue, match scheduling or hiring requirements placed on them by venue operators.

Please note that it remains essential for all community sports organisations to remain fully compliant with the current [Public Health Order](#) and to have a [COVID-19 Safety Plan](#) in place, and remain fully compliant with this plan.

NSW Health continues to monitor the situation throughout the State, and the Office of Sport and Sport NSW will communicate any future recommendations, changes to COVID-19 Safety Plans or Public Health Orders that impact community sport.

Thank you for your support in helping to keep community sport COVID-19 safe.

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